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## Meeting prior to The Annual Town Meeting Minutes

**Monday, May 6, 2013**

**Meeting Location: Paxton Center School 19 West Street, Paxton, MA 01612**

Members Present: Peter Bogren, Jr., Chairman  
John F. Malone, Vice Chairman  
  
Carol L. Riches, Town Administrator

Attendees: Attendee List

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:05pm.

### **Review Warrant Articles**

#### **Article #6.**

- **Motion (JM) seconded (PB) to recommend approval. All in favor.**

#### **Article #8**

- Pass over at meeting. Jack will speak as to why.

#### **Article #14**

- **(PB)** I have two concerns with this article. One being the way votes are weighted and the other is that I was told they will work out some of the details as they go along. I don't think that they have looked into this deep enough.
- **(JM)** I agree with Peter. I am concerned over the weighted votes as well.
- **Motion (JM) seconded (PB) to recommend disapproval. All in favor.**

#### **Article #15**

- **Motion (JM) seconded (PB) to recommend approval. All in favor.**

#### **Article #16**

- **Motion (JM) seconded (PB) to recommend approval. All in favor.**

#### **Article #17**

- **Motion (JM) seconded (PB) to recommend approval. All in favor.**

#### **Article #18**

- **Motion (JM) seconded (PB) to recommend approval. All in favor.**

(CR) Are you voting to support the override?

- **Motion (JM) that we do not support Article #1. Seconded (PB) for discussion only.**

(PB) We need to support Article #1 otherwise we are \$50,000 short on the budget. At the time of the override vote we can discuss as to whether or not we are going to support it.

(JM) We never talked about an override or not. I never support overrides. We can reduce the RASA number from the school.

(PB) We have to bring the school number forward to be voted on by the town.

(JM) I will withdraw my previous motion.

- **Motion (JM) seconded (PB) to approve Article #1. All in favor.**

#### **End of Year Transfers**

- **Motion (PB) seconded (JM) to approve the following end of year transfers. Unanimous, all in favor.**

<b><u>Transfer to</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Animal Control Officer	\$200.00
Insurance	\$225.00

(JM) What is our plan if someone mentions the overage in the override figure?

Rich Fenton stated that due to the unsustainable in balance from the school budget and the fact that the Stabilization and Capital fund are so low that it threatens our bond rating.

(PB) We also have to account for the fact that the numbers are still up in the air for Bay Path the State and Wachusett.

**Motion (JM) seconded (PB) to move to the Annual Town Meeting and reconvene after if an override ballot question needs to be included in the June 25<sup>th</sup> election. Unanimous, all in favor.**

#### **Reconvened at 8:20pm to vote on override ballot question**

- **Motion (JM) seconded (PB) to place an override question on the June 25, 2013 ballot in the amount of \$131,590 to fully fund the FY2014 budget. Unanimous, all in favor.**

**Next meeting scheduled for Monday May 13, 2013 at 6:00pm**

**Adjourned Meeting at 8:26pm, Unanimous all in favor**

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Graf-Parsons, Administrative Assistant

#### **Documents filed with Meeting Minutes:**

Agenda

#### **Documents from the Meeting filed in BOS office:**

None